

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR JAMES H. TROGDON, III
SECRETARY

May 30th 2018

North Carolina Board of Transportation

Re: Resolution to Document Toll Rates for Southport/Fort Fisher Ferry

**WHEREAS,** in 2013, the North Carolina General Assembly mandated that new ferry acquisitions be funded through Strategic Transportation Initiative funding or by revenue-raising initiatives such as tolling, advertising, and concessions; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of tolls is an authority granted specifically to the Board of Transportation pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 136-82. Pursuant to a recent statutory change, said authority is not subject to the requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B) and, therefore, is not subject to rule making. In order to properly document the current ferry toll rates.

WHEREAS, all money collected will go only toward new ferry vessels and ferry improvements and

**WHEREAS,** the Fort Fisher/Southport ferry is currently a tolled ferry; and all fares collected fund new ferry vessels and ferry improvements that directly benefit the Southport-Fort Fisher Ferry; and

WHEREAS, the NCDOT is proposing to retain the same ferry tolls for pedestrians, bicycles and motorcycles but increase the ferry tolls for <20 feet from \$5 to \$7, 20 feet- 40 feet from \$10 to \$14 and > 40 from \$15 to \$28; and

WHEREAS, the local RPO's and MPO's that are affected are in support of these fare increases.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the North Carolina Board of Transportation supports the increase in tolls for the Fort Fisher/Southport Ferry.

Telephone: (252) 423-5150

Fax: (252) 473-1490

Customer Service: 1-877-368-4968

Website: www.ncdot.gov

**ADOPTED** insert date